

1 following exemplary XML code (which has had browser-executable code modified
2 in accordance with Patent Office requirements):

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4 <orders xmlns:person="http://www_schemas.org/people"
5 xmlns:dsig="http://dsig.org">
6 <order>
7 <sold-to>
8 <person:name>
9 <person:last-name>Layman</person:last-name>
10 <person:first-name>Andrew</person:first-name>
11 </person:name>
12 </sold-to>
13 <sold-on>1997-03-17</sold-on>
14 <dsig:digital-signature>1234567890</dsig:digital-
15 signature>
16 </order>
17 </orders>

18 This code includes two XML namespace declarations that are each
19 designated with "xmlns". The declarations include a prefix, e.g. "person" and
20 "dsig" respectively, and the expanded namespace to which each prefix refers, e.g.
21 "http://www_schemas.org/people", and "http://dsig.org" respectively. This code
22 tells any reader that if an element name begins with "dsig:" its meaning is defined
23 by whoever owns the "http://www_dsig.org" namespace. Similarly, elements
24 beginning with the "person:" prefix have meanings defined by the
25 "http://www_schemas.org/people" namespace.--

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27 **In the Claims**

28 Claims 1-47 are pending and are listed below as follows:

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30 A method of generating an XML document comprising:
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